

THE SEMI-WEEKLY NEWS

Issued Mondays and Thursdays
and Contains All the Cream of
the Daily and Saturday News.

THE NEWS ON THE TRAINS.

The Deseret News is on Sale on Every Train That Leaves or Enters Salt Lake. Daily After 2:30 p. m. Patrons Who Can Not Obtain It Are Requested To Inform the News Office.

LOCAL BRIEFS.

Sunday School to Celebrate—The first Presbyterian Sunday school will hold its annual Christmas celebration next Friday night at 7:30.

Little Tots Made Happy—Miss Linda B. Jessup gave her kindergarten pupils a Christmas tree and a special entertainment today, which the little ones much enjoyed.

Hutchinson Recovering—K. C. Hutchinson, employed at the Garfield mill of the Utah Copper company, is at St. Mark's hospital recovering from injuries received on being struck by a moving car.

Laborer Badly Hurt—R. L. Cohen, a railroad laborer, was struck Wednesday afternoon by a snow plow on the Rio Grande north of this city and is in St. Mark's hospital with probably fatal injuries.

Shortest Day in Year—Today is the shortest day in the year. It is generally Dec. 21, but this year the date is set one day later. Between the rising and the setting of the sun, there is just nine hours and 13 minutes.

Lodge Gives Masked Ball—Sage Lodge, No. 252, Fraternal Brotherhood, gave a well attended masked ball Wednesday night in Knights of Columbus hall. There were some excellent costumes. Refreshments were served.

Christmas at Kindergarten—The kindergarten of the Fifteenth ward were entertained this morning in the ward amusement hall with a tree and presents. There was a pleasant program, which the children very much enjoyed.

Come In Handy for Holidays—Samuel Pierce of Bluffdale, yesterday turned in 10 coyote pelts and two cat skins at the county clerk's office, receiving \$2.50 each. He then took the supply to a furrier and received \$20 more.

Night School Vacation—The educational department of the Y. M. C. A. will take a Christmas vacation from next Friday evening to January 2. The general secretary expects quite an increase in attendance on the opening of the winter term.

Exercises at St. Mary's—The pupils of St. Mary's academy closed the fall term Wednesday afternoon with interesting and well attended exercises. The school re-opens Jan. 3. The out of town pupils have left for their homes to enjoy Christmas.

Death of D. H. Thompson—D. H. Thompson, teamster, residing at 423 east Seventh south street, died at St. Mark's hospital at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon within an hour after he had been stricken with a fatal intestinal obstruction. Mr. Thompson is survived by a wife and two children.

Turkeys Come to Market—A fine large consignment of Christmas turkeys arrived Monday evening from Charleston and Heber, and are being sold at 30 cents. There seems to be plenty of poultry of all kinds in the local market. The domestic fowls are in better condition than they were last December.

Death of Infant Daughter—Catherine, the infant daughter of Frank and Catherine Douglas Platt, died at 12 o'clock yesterday night from peritonitis at the home of her grandmother, Mrs. Maria Douglas, 9 north State street. The funeral will be held private and held today from the home of Mrs. Douglas.

Students Entertain—The students of All Hallows college gave their annual Christmas entertainment Wednesday night in the shape of a musical and dramatic program that was heartily appreciated by a large audience. The college orchestra particularly well.

Christensen Funeral Held Today—Otto Christensen, the laborer who died Monday night from blood poisoning resulting from a wound on his hand sustained through being struck by a pick in the hands of a fellow workman, was buried this afternoon from the Fifteenth ward mortuary home. Members of the Christensen family say they have no knowledge of the wound resulting from an altercation of any kind and attach no blame to the workman who struck him.

To Collect for Y. M. C. A.—The Y. M. C. A. committee will make an effort to collect the \$25,000 due on the subscription list for the new building on the building and put the association on its feet. This was determined Wednesday afternoon at a meeting of the committee at the Commercial club. Frank B. Stephens, and C. W. Nibley were appointed to make all the collections over \$500 and W. E. Wright and W. A. Armstrong will take charge of the subscriptions under \$500.

Flight on Tuberculosis—Arrangements are being made by Walter L. Cooper, representative of the National Association for the study and prevention of tuberculosis, for the giving of a series of lectures on that subject in this city. The object of the association, which is financed by membership dues and popular subscriptions, is to scatter information regarding tuberculosis and its cure. A meeting will be held at the Commercial club next Wednesday evening to make definite arrangements for the lecture series.

Zions Savings Bank & Trust Co. Transacts a general trust business and pays 4 per cent interest on savings deposits. Joseph F. Smith president; Abner H. Lund, vice president; O. C. Beebe, cashier.

MARTIN COAL CO., 47 SO. MAIN. All kinds of coal, well screened and promptly delivered.

BRUSHES—BRUSHES—BRUSHES We have a line of brushes of all kinds, suitable for holiday gifts, for sale at the workshop of the Adult Blind, rear of Lion House.

NEW 1911 CATALOGUE JUST ISSUED. We will mail it and a number of holiday catalogues of miscellaneous books, gift books and our catalogue of our National Library sale of standard sets free on application.

DESERET NEWS BOOK STORE. 6 Main Street.

ROBBERS BATTERED BY THREE CHINESE

Masked Black Meets His Waterloo in Laundry of Sou Wah.

HELD UNTIL POLICE ARRIVE

Beaten Renovators of Sailed Lihen Wage Battle With a Cleaver to a Successful Conclusion.

After being held up by a burly negro armed with a loaded revolver, three nervous Chinese turned on their assailant, beat him until the police arrived to place him under arrest. It all happened about 6:30 o'clock last night at the laundry of Sou Wah, 162 south Second West street. As a result, the negro, who gives his name as John Miller, is confined in the city jail under the charge of highway robbery and is suffering from a fractured skull, a broken jaw and a deep cut on the forehead, while his brave little victims, Sou Wah, the proprietor, Ye Sip Hop and Hong John, two laundry employees, are nursing bites and minor bruises received in the altercation.

The three Chinese were eating their rice supper, when Miller, with a mask over his face and flourishing a big gun, entered the laundry and demanded money. On the refusal of the owner, he ordered them into the back room. The foot did not satisfy the robber, who entered the back room and found the three Chinese huddled together. He attempted to search them. He ordered Ye Sip Hop under the bed, held a gun over Sou Wah's head while he went through Hong John's pockets.

THE WORM TURNS.

At this point the turn of the tide began. Ye Sip Hop slipped out from under the bed, seized Miller by the front of the shirt and dealt the highwayman a stinging blow on the head at the same time securing the revolver. Miller dashed to the rear door, dragging with him Sou Wah and Hong John who were clinging to him like leeches. A struggle ensued in the back yard in which Miller even resorted to biting in his mad effort to escape, but the Chinese held their own, administering several telling blows on the negro's head. The meddlesome Ye Sip Hop had dashed in to the Salt Lake rooming house and notified the police.

The police, along with Sgt. Pierce and Police Constable Griffin and Hendrickson arrived and the struggling negro was placed under arrest. The Chinese reported the taking of two gold watches, one gold ring, one revolver, a box of cartridges, and \$15. Most of the plunder was recovered when Miller was searched at the station. Asst. City Physician Hugh Sprague, who dressed the wounds of the highwayman, found that the back of his skull had been laid open about three inches, a deep cut in the forehead, and his right jaw broken. The doctor says that the injured man will recover. He also attended the Chinese, who had bites and minor bruises.

TWO OTHER HOLD-UPS.

Two hold-ups were committed in less than a half hour on the west side last night by a pair of highwaymen whose description tallies with that of the robbers who have been responsible for several recent crimes. The police put an additional detail of patrolmen on the west side last night in an effort to run these men down, but no suspects have as yet been arrested.

Shortly after 8 o'clock C. Eastman and Robert Hewitt were searching for a car belonging to Hopworth was the only booty secured. At 8:30 o'clock a pair of highwaymen supposedly the same who figured in the other hold-up, on the corner of Second North and Seventh West street. This time \$2.50 was secured.

A private safe may be rented in the fire and burglar-proof vaults of the Salt Lake Security Trust Co., 32-34 Main street. \$2.00 per year.

TELEPHONE SERVICE WIDELY EXTENDED

Improved Facilities Afforded Farmers—New Toll Lines Built During the Year.

According to telephone reports, the service in remote rural districts has made wonderful strides during the past year. Farmers are awakening to the fact that a telephone on the place is a necessary adjunct to profitable farming. Its use saves many trips to town, families are protected in emergencies, country and town are brought into closer relations, and the communication is greatly facilitated. It is claimed that one great reason for increased valuation of farming lands during the last decade is owing to extended telephone service.

Effective work was done by the Bell company in this part of the country last year in distributing their wire lines among fruit growers, resulting in the saving of large losses. The Bell company reports over 12,000 telephone lines have been installed in Utah, 130 trained operators at the switchboard at Salt Lake City headquarters. The toll traffic on the Spanish Fork-Pineburg line has increased 25 per cent. The toll traffic on the Spanish Fork-Cotton, and new toll stations have been installed at Bullion, Stover's ranch, Utah Lake and Conditon and the Watch Nursery.

In Wyoming, the past year has found business very good, with a general extension through central and northern parts of the state. In Idaho, the company suffered considerable loss through the forest fires, but local service was maintained in many places and the telephone played an important part in assisting the fire fighters. An important incident of the year was the striking of a circuit in connection with lines operating in British Columbia. Also a notable piece of construction was the building of a new No. 12 copper circuit from Twin Falls to Boise via Shoshone and Mountain Home, making the circuit distance between the capital and Twin Falls much less than ever before. Numerous local exchanges in Idaho have become affiliated with the Bell lines, thus making interstate communication the more complete.

Many important pieces of construction were completed this year in Montana, connecting communication with distant points over the state. It will not be long before regular communication will be established with North Dakota and Minnesota points.

The regular monthly meeting of the Salt Lake stake Relief society will be held in the Fourteenth ward chapel Saturday, Dec. 24, at 2 p. m. A large attendance is desired.

UTAHN SETTLERS ACCORDED RELIEF

Senator Smoot Introduces Bill in Senate to Give Pioneers Free Titles.

(Special to The News.)

Washington, Dec. 21.—In order to mitigate the requirements of homesteaders, Senator Smoot today introduced a bill in the senate. It is said that the homesteaders have in most cases lived on the land for the required five years, but have had such hardships to bear that they cannot pay the \$1.25 per acre stipulated by law. Senator Smoot's bill relieves them of this payment and provides that all who have lived on the land for five years shall be given title. Those who have lived on the land 14 months may commute by paying the \$1.25 and then obtain clear title.

In the state of Utah last year the proceeds from the sale of public lands were \$346,201.47. There was paid to the state \$17,310, and credited to the reclamation fund \$368,638.55. In Idaho the sales brought \$288,802.55. There was paid to the state \$13,410.14 and credited to the reclamation fund \$275,392.41.

Senator Smoot called at the White House today and again urged the promotion of Col. Walter S. Scott of the Fifteenth Infantry, stationed at Fort Huachuca, to the rank of brigadier general.

AMUSEMENTS

Theater—The house will be dark all this week, the company moving tomorrow the box office opens for the sale of seats for "The Traveling Salesman," which will open with a Christmas matinee Monday afternoon.

Among Manager Pyper's nearby attractions is Lillian Russell in her new play "In Search of a Shiner."

Colombia—De Wolf Hopper ended up his engagement last night to a well pleased audience. The house will remain closed until next week when "A Stubborn Cinderella" forms the attraction.

Orpheum—The fine bill this week continues to attract enthusiastic audiences. Tomorrow night is "Society Night," and a big turnout is looked for.

Garrison—Mrs. Temple's Telegram is going more smoothly now than during the early performances, and the comedy may be held down as a laughing hit. All eyes are now centered on "The Girl of the Golden West," which will introduce the new leading man, Mr. Durkin, next week, with Miss Wheatley in the title role.

CHRISTMAS TREE AT RINK.

The team of Dawson and Booth, which began an engagement of acrobatic and fancy roller skating, was forced to close yesterday owing to the illness of Scott Booth. Manager O'Mara has made arrangements for a large illuminated Christmas tree to be installed in the center of the big rink Saturday. It will be placed on a revolving platform and the tree will be decorated with lights. Prizes for winners of various contests and presents exchanged between patrons of the rink will be hung on the tree.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Mrs. C. S. Vaden entertains this afternoon at a bridge tea at her home in honor of Miss Stella Fabian.

The assembly hall last night at Oleon hall was a delightful affair. The hall was bright with palms, and festoons and wreaths of holly in the south corner made cosy with rugs, drapes and cushions, while card tables also were here for the convenience of those who did not dance. Punch was served at the opposite end of the hall, and supper in the dining hall was served with much attractiveness with its many Christmas decorations, the red being carried out in American Beauty roses, and carnations, and the green with amaranthus and ferns. The patronesses of the affair were Mrs. Hober M. Wells, Mrs. Edward S. Perry, Mrs. E. O. Howard, Mrs. Benner Smith, Mrs. William Reid and Mrs. Union V. Worthington. The arrangements and details of the affair were in the hands of Charles W. Stimpson.

The Misses Mary and Carey Marshall entertained last evening at a party in honor of Miss Stella Fabian and Mrs. John Clark whose marriage takes place in the near future, the decorations being the holiday emblems, and covers laid for at least 30.

The First Kindergarten held a Christmas celebration this morning at the school room in the Second North street. In the way of a Christmas tree, which through the generosity of many patrons was loaded with good things for the children, a program of exercises was also carried out in the Christmas idea. Miss Sherman and her assistant teachers of the school presided.

Mrs. J. S. Daveler and son Earl are here from California for the holidays.

Mrs. J. F. Dunn returned yesterday from the east accompanied by her daughter Margaret and Miss Florence Halloran, who will spend the Christmas vacation here with their families.

Mrs. Thomas Kearns and children are here from California for the holidays.

Mrs. David Keith is in New York to spend the holidays with her son David Keith, Jr.

GREAT MILLINERY SALE NOW ON.

And will continue through the holidays. Buy a Hat Plum or Bonnet for Xmas gift. Now is your chance to buy a bargain. A Dolls hat given with every ladies' trimmed hat as long as they last.

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CHURCH NOTICES

The high priests' quorum of the Salt Lake stake will meet in the Seventeenth ward hall, at 10 a. m., Sunday Dec. 25, 1910.

The general priesthood meeting of Granite stake will be held Sunday, Dec. 18, 1910, at 10 a. m., full attendance is earnestly required.

The home missionaries of Granite stake will meet at the stake tabernacle Sunday, Dec. 25, 1910 at 9 a. m.

Ensign stake quarterly conference will be held Sunday, Dec. 25, 1910, at 10 a. m., and in the tabernacle at 2 p. m. Special musical numbers will be rendered by the choir. The choir will be in the morning session and by the tabernacle choir in the afternoon.

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TEMPLE NOTICES

Salt Lake Temple will close for the holidays on Friday, Dec. 23, and open on Tuesday, Jan. 3, 1911.

JOSEPH F. SMITH.

The Manti temple will close Friday, Dec. 23, 1910, and re-open Jan. 3, 1911.

LEWIS ANDERSON.

Logan temple will close for the holidays on Friday, Dec. 23, 1910, and re-open on Tuesday, Jan. 3, 1911.

WILLIAM BUDGE.

20 PER CENT OFF AT JENSEN'S. Jewelry on Cut Glass, Hand Painted China, Clocks, Silverware and Toilet sets.

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\$350 cash, balance like rent. 4-room pressed brick cottage, just east of Liberty Park. Exceptionally well built, new and clean. Lot 23 rods frontage.

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CHRISTMAS MUSICAL PROGRAMS

The Saturday News of Dec. 24, will contain the full program of the various musical programs arranged in the churches and wards of the city for Christmas day and evening. Choir leaders who desire their programs inserted are requested to forward them not later than Friday noon.

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6-ROOM MODERN TERRACE, HOT water heat, 270 So. 7th East. Phone 1881 Ind.

3-ROOM HOUSE AND BUTTERY, 433 West 5th South.

4-ROOM HOUSE, PANTHY, CELLAR, closets, 349 4th East.

4-RM. MOD. BRICK, \$18, unfurnished, furnished, \$25. 708 Jefferson Place. Bell 290-x.

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